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SUBJECT: RELAXATION AND AUSTRALIAN STRATEGIC EXPORT CONTROLS

SUMMARY: JAPANESE HAVE RECEIVED AIDE MEMOIRE FROM AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY ANNOUNCING RELAXATION IN GOA STRATEGIC EXPORT CONTROLS TOWARD " EASTERN EUROPE" AND PRC. ON INSTRUCTIONS, JAPANESE COCOM DEL HAS REQUESTED FROM USDEL US REACTION AND ASSESSMENT OF POSSIBLE IMPACT THIS STEP WILL HAVE. END SUMMARY

1. JAPANESE DEL TOLD USDEL MAY 4 HE HAD JUST RECEIVED TELEGRAM (REPEATED INFO ONLY JAPANESE EMBASSY WASHINGTON) INFORMING THAT MFA HAD RECEIVED THAT DAY AIDE MEMOIRE DELIVERED BY MINISTER OF AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY NOTIFYING GOJ THAT GOA INTENDED TO DISCONTINUE PROMPTLY SPECIAL EXPORT CONTROLS (EXCEPT THOSE RELATING TO NUCLEAR MATERIALS) PERATING AGAINST " EASTERN EUROPE" AND PRC. AIDE- MEMOIRE INDICATED SIMILAR NOTIFICATION BEING MADE TO US, UK, CANADA, AND NEW ZEALAND.

2. JAPANESE DEL WAS INSTRUCTED TO SOLICIT FROM USDEL US REACTION TO AUSTRALIAN MOVE AND ASSESSMENT OF IMPACT TERMINATION
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OF SUCH CONTROLS MIGHT HAVE FOR EFFICACY OF MULTILATERAL CONTROLS.
HE POINTED OUT THAT DIET IS PRESENTLY IN SESSION AND GOJ COULD
FORESEE CONSIDERABLE PARLIAMENTARY PRESSURE FOR JAPAN TO
FOLLOW SUIT IF MATTER BECAME PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE.

3. USDEL UNDERTOOK TO PASS REQUEST ALONG TO WASHINGTON.
PERSONALLY, HE WONDERED WHETHER AUSTRALIA IS A PRODUCER OF
SIGNIFICANT AMOUNTS OF COCOM- EMBARGOED MATERIAL BUT SUGGESTED
THIS MIGHT HAVE IMPLICATIONS FOR MANNER IN WHICH US WOULD DEAL
WITH EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL LIST
COMMODITIES FOR AUSTRALIA.

4. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS FOR REPLY. WE ASSUME SIMILAR AIDE-
MEMOIRE HAS BEEN OR WILL BE PRESENTED TO DEPT AND SO HAVE NOT
SOUGHT
TO DETAIL FURTHER. PLEASE PROVIDE TEXT TO USDEL.

5. WASHINGTON CONTINGENT FOR COCOM EXPORT CONTROL SUB- COMMITTEE
MEETING MAY WISH TO PREPARE THEMSELVES TO TALK TO THIS ISSUE IN
EVENT IT IS RAISED DURING MAY 23-24 SESSION.
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